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1. FROM THIS EMBASSY'S VANTAGE POINT, CEPICIES REVIEW WITH REGARD TO TRINIDAD AND TOBAGONAS HIGHLY USEFUL, BECAUSE IT IS VIRTUALLY ONLY OCCASION WHEN SENIOR GOTT OFFICIALS SIT DOWN WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL MAJOR FOREIGN DONORS. WE DO NOT FEEL THAT INFORMAL COORDINATION HAPHAZARDLY CARRIED OUT AS AT PRESENT BY LOCAL IDB OR UNDP REPS COULD BE A SATISFACTORY SUBSTITUTE FOR COUNTRY REVIEW PROCESS.

2. WITH REGARD TO ASSESSING GOTT'S LIKELY REACTION, WE BELIEVE TRINIDAD OFFICIALS WOULD NOT FAVOR COMPLETE ELIMINATION OF CEPICIES REVIEW, FOR AIT PROVIDES THEM A FORUM TO DEAL WITH ALL DONORS AT ONCE AND TO MAKE PLEAS FOR SPECIAL CONSIDERATION (SUCH AS BETTER TERMS FROM INTERNATIONAL LENDING AGENCIES, AS MADE AT LAST CEPICIES SESSION). SINCE GOTT PLACES LITTLE IMPORTANCE ON WASHINGTON OAS MATTERS, WE DO NOT BELIEVE TRINIDAD WOULD PARTICULARLY CARE IF REVIEW PROCESS WERE KEPT IN OAS FRAMEWORK OR MOVED TO IDB.

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